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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:428567 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 140:400098

TITLE: Neurosteroid regulation-based method of screening for

nonsteroidal neuropsychiatric agents

INVENTOR(S): Davis, John M.; Uzunov, Doncho P.

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): USA

SOURCE: U.S., 7 pp. CODEN: USXXAM

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent LANGUAGE: English

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| AB A method of screening for nonsteroidal neuropsychiatric agents includes | | | | | | | | |
| determining the ability of a candidate nonsteroidal agent to selectively | | | | | | | | |
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selectively regulate a rate-limiting step in the biocontrol of the bioavailable amount of an endogenous neuroactive steroid, wherein the rate-limiting step may be either a step in biosynthesis of an endogenous neuroactive steroid, e.g. allopregnanolone, or a step in the biodegrdn. of such an endogenous neuroactive steroid. Alternatively, the method may include determining the ability of a candidate agent in selectively regulating the rate of reuptake of an endogenous neuroactive steroid by neurons or glial cells.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:730545 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:242465

TITLE: Method and compounds for use in the treatment of

steroid induced states of the central

nervous system

INVENTOR(S): Backstrom, Torbjorn; Wang, Ming-De

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Swed.

SOURCE: U.S., 11 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 37,869,

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CODEN: USXXAM

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OTHER SOURCE(S): MARPAT 137:242465

AB The use of epiallopregnanolone $(3\beta-hydroxy-5\alpha-pregnan-20-one)$ for the treatment of steroid induced mood disorders and CNS

disorders is disclosed. Further, the use of epiallopregnanolone for the manufacture of pharmaceuticals is disclosed, together with an list of symptoms suitable for treatment with epiallopregnanolone.

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L6 ANSWER 3 OF 57 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2007 ACS on STN ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:293431 CAPLUS

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136:304454

TITLE:

Methods for the treatment of a traumatic

central nervous system

injury

INVENTOR(S):

Stein, Donald Gerald; Hoffman, Stuart Wayne

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): SOURCE:

Emory University, USA PCT Int. Appl., 52 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

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AB The invention provides methods for conferring a neuroprotective effect on a population of cells in a subject following a traumatic injury to the central nervous system. Specifically, the methods of the invention provide for the administration of a progestin or progestin metabolite following a traumatic brain injury. The progestin or progestin metabolite is administered at therapeutically effective concns. that produce a neuroprotective effect (i.e., a decrease in the loss of neuronal activity) and reduces and/or prevents the various physiol. events leading to neurodegeneration, such as, cerebral edema and the immune/inflammatory response.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:93238 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

134:141992

TITLE: Acute neuroactive steroid withdrawal in withdrawal seizure-prone and withdrawal seizure-resistant mice Reilly, M. T.; Crabbe, J. C.; Rustay, N. R.; Finn, D. AUTHOR(S):

CORPORATE SOURCE:

Portland Alcohol Research Center, Department of Behavioral Neuroscience, Oregon Health Sciences

University, Portland, OR, 97201, USA

SOURCE:

Pharmacology, Biochemistry and Behavior (2000

), 67(4), 709-717

CODEN: PBBHAU; ISSN: 0091-3057

PUBLISHER:

Elsevier Science Inc.

DOCUMENT TYPE:

Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB Allopregnanolone (3α-hydroxy-5α-pregnan-20-one) is an endogenously derived metabolite of progesterone, and a potent pos. modulator of GABAA receptors. A withdrawal syndrome, characterized by central nervous system (CNS)

hyperexcitability, has been demonstrated following abrupt discontinuation of high progesterone levels in rats, which was due in part to altered levels of allopregnanolone. The purpose of the present study was to determine if a single administration of pregnanolone or allopregnanolone could produce an acute withdrawal response in mice selected for susceptibility (Withdrawal Seizure-Prone, WSP) or resistance (Withdrawal Seizure-Resistant, WSR) to ethanol withdrawal convulsions. WSP mice administered 75 mg/kg pregnanolone showed a significant increase in handling-induced convulsion (HIC) scores over a 25-h testing period. In contrast, HIC scores in WSR mice were negligible after acute administration of 25, 50, 75, or 100 mg/kg pregnanolone. WSP mice also showed a similar increase in HIC after withdrawal from 75 mg/kg allopregnanolone. This effect was evident at both the 10-h and 25-h overall withdrawal severity assessment. These results demonstrate that neuroactive steroids can elicit an acute withdrawal response similar to that of other pos. modulators of GABAA receptors in WSP mice, supporting the notion that a common set of genes underlie acute and chronic withdrawal severity from multiple agents with depressant effects on the central nervous system.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:896030 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134

134:81034

TITLE:

The effects of neurosteroids on picrotoxin-,

bicuculline- and NMDA-induced seizures, and a hypnotic

effect of ethanol

AUTHOR(S):

Czlonkowska, A. I.; Krzascik, P. S.;

Sienkiewicz-Jarosz, H.; Siemiatkowski, M.; Szyndler,

J.; Bidzinski, A.; Plaznik, A.

CORPORATE SOURCE:

Department of Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology,

Medical Academy, Warsaw, 00-927, Pol.

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Pharmacology, Biochemistry and Behavior (2000

), 67(2), 345-353

CODEN: PBBHAU; ISSN: 0091-3057

PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Inc.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

The effects of i.p. (IP) or intracerebroventricularly (ICV) administered neurosteroids [allopregnanolone (AP); 5β tetrahydrodeoxycorticosterone (5β-THDOC); dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (DHEAS); pregnenolone sulfate (PS)] and their precursors [progesterone (PROG), pregnanedione (PREG)] on N-methyl-d-aspartic acid (NMDA)-, picrotoxin (PTX)- and bicuculline (BIC)-induced seizures and ethanol-induced sleep were studied in mice. It was found that IP injections of (+)MK-801 most potently antagonized NMDA-, PTX- and BIC-induced seizures, as compared to diazepam (DZP), PROG and PREG. precursors of neurosteroids appeared only marginally active in the applied models of convulsions. ICV injections of AP selectively blocked PTX- and BIC-induced seizures, whereas 5β -THDOC and (+)MK-801 also antagonized NMDA-induced convulsions. ICV administered DHEAS induced seizures in a dose-dependent way. ICV injections of AP and midazolam shortened the latency and prolonged the duration of sleep induced by IP injections of ethanol (5.0 g/kg). On the contrary, DHEAS and PS significantly reduced the hypnotic-like effect of ethanol. The obtained results suggest that neurosteroids may modulate in an agonistic (AP, 5β-THDOC), or antagonistic way (PS, DHEAS), the GABAA receptor complex functions. Some of them (5 β -THDOC) also interact with NMDA receptors. AP appeared to

be the most selectively acting compound, with its profile of action fully comparable to that of midazolam. AP also enhanced the hypnotic effect of ethanol, pointing out to the propensity to interact with centrally depressant agents. These findings, together with the possibility of conversion of some neurosteroids in the brain to other steroid hormones (testosterone, estradiol and aldosterone), indicate the limitations of their use for the treatment of neurol. and psychiatric disorders.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:734451 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:329799

REFERENCE COUNT:

SOURCE:

TITLE: Effects of estradiol and raloxifene analog on brain,

adrenal and serum allopregnanolone content in fertile and ovariectomized female rats

AUTHOR(S): Genazzani, Andrea R.; Bernardi, Francesca; Stomati,

Massimo; Monteleone, Patrizia; Luisi, Stefano; Rubino,

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Silvia; Farzati, Angelo; Casarosa, Elena; Luisi,

Michele; Petraglia, Felice

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Reproductive Medicine and Child

Development, Division of Obstetrics and Gynecology,

University of Pisa, Pisa, I-56100, Italy Neuroendocrinology (2000), 72(3), 162-170

CODEN: NUNDAJ; ISSN: 0028-3835

PUBLISHER: S. Karger AG

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

Allopregnanolone is a neuroactive steroid synthesized in rat gonads, adrenal cortex, and central nervous system. It has been suggested that sex steroid hormones might influence allopregnanolone concns. but no clear data have ever been reported. The aim of the present study was to investigate the effects of administration of 17β -estradiol (17β -E2), the raloxifene analog LY-117018 or their combination on allopregnanolone levels in fertile and ovariectomized (OVX) rats. Thirteen groups of 12 Wistar female rats each received either $17\beta-E2$ (0.1 or 1 $\mu g/day$) or LY-117018 (25, 250, and 1250 $\mu g/day$), or 17 β -E2 1 $\mu g/day$ plus LY-117018: 25, 250, and 1250 $\mu g/day$ for 14 days. The rats were then sacrificed and allopregnanolone content was assessed in the hypothalamus, hippocampus, pituitary, adrenals, and serum. Ovariectomy determined a significant decrease in allopregnanolone content in the hypothalamus, hippocampus, pituitary, and serum, while increasing it in the adrenals (p < 0.01). In OVX rats, the administration of either 17β -E2 or LY-117018 restored ovariectomy-induced allopregnanolone changes. The administration of LY-117018 in addition to 17β -E2 to OVX animals suppressed the increase in allopregnanolone levels determined by 17β -E2 in the hippocampus, hypothalamus, and pituitary, but not in the adrenals and serum. In fertile rats, the administration of LY-117018 reproduced the effects of ovariectomy. This study shows that the raloxifene analog LY-117018 has an estrogen-like action on the central nervous system of OVX rats when administered alone, while it acts as an antiestrogen in the presence of $17\beta-E2$, both in OVX animals treated with $17\beta-E2$ and in fertile A different effect was observed in the adrenal glands. The mechanism of action of this compound has still to be clarified.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:587842 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:291177

TITLE: Progesterone, progestagens and the central

nervous system

AUTHOR(S): Genazzani, A. R.; Stomati, M.; Morittu, A.; Bernardi,

F.; Monteleone, P.; Casarosa, E.; Gallo, R.;

Salvestroni, C.; Luisi, M.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Reproductive Medicine and Child

Development, Division of Gynecology and Obstetrics,

University of Pisa, Pisa, 56100, Italy Human Reproduction (2000), 15(Suppl. 1),

14-27

CODEN: HUREEE; ISSN: 0268-1161

PUBLISHER: Oxford University Press DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review

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AΒ A review with 57 refs.,. Estrogen, progestagens and androgens are able to modulate several brain functions. Receptors for gonadal steroids have been identified in several brain areas: amygdala, hippocampus, cortex, basal forebrain, cerebellum, locus ceruleus, midbrain rafe nuclei, glial cells, pituitary gland, hypothalamus and central gray matter. The mechanism of action of sex steroids at this level is similar to that observed in the peripheral target organs, including both genomic and non-genomic effects. The increased use of sex steroid hormone derivative therapies has lead to study of the biochem. and metabolic properties of the different progestin mols. available in hormonal therapies. In particular, exptl. and clin. studies focused the attention of researchers on interactions between estrogens and progestins in the neuroendocrine control of the brain functions and its clin. implications. Moreover, steroids are also synthesized de novo in the brain or may be derived from the conversion of blood-borne precursors, suggesting that the brain is also a source of steroids, named neurosteroids. Neurosteroids exert non-classical rapid actions as allosteric agonists of γ -aminobutyric acid receptor A (GABAA) and also modulate classic neurotransmitters in the brain. addition, progesterone derivs., e.g., pregnanolone, and 3α 5α -OH THP (allopregnanolone) are synthesized de novo by astrocytes and oligodendrocites starting from cholesterol. Physiol. or pathol. modifications of the synthesis and release of neurosteroids play a relevant role in the control of brain function.

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TITLE: Serum allopregnanolone levels in pregnant

women: changes during pregnancy, at delivery, and in

hypertensive patients

Luisi, S.; Petraglia, F.; Benedetto, C.; Nappi, R. E.; AUTHOR(S):

Bernardi, F.; Fadalti, M.; Reis, F. M.; Luisi, M.;

Genazzani, A. R.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Reproductive Medicine and Child

Development, Section of Gynecology and Obstetrics,

University of Pisa, Pisa, Italy Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism (SOURCE:

2000), 85(7), 2429-2433

CODEN: JCEMAZ; ISSN: 0021-972X

PUBLISHER: Endocrine Society

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LANGUAGE: English

Allopregnanolone is a neuroactive steroid measurable in peripheral circulation. The aim of the present study was to investigate the presence and the possible changes in serum allopregnanolone and progesterone levels in pregnant women during gestation, at delivery, and in patients with chronic hypertension, with or without superimposed preeclampsia. We also evaluated allopregnanolone in cord blood. Three groups of pregnant women were studied: (1) healthy controls followed longitudinally throughout gestation (n = 14); (2) at vaginal or cesarean delivery (n = 66); and (3) with chronic hypertension (n = 12), with (n = 7) or without (n = 5) superimposed preeclampsia. Allopregnanolone and progesterone levels were measured in maternal and cord serum by RIA. In healthy pregnant women, serum allopregnanolone and progesterone levels progressively increased throughout gestation. Whereas no changes were found at vaginal delivery, serum allopregnanolone and progesterone levels were significantly lower at delivery by emergency cesarean section (P < 0.01). Umbilical cord serum allopregnanolone and progesterone levels in emergency cesarean were significantly lower than those found at vaginal delivery (P < 0.01). Patients with chronic hypertension, with or without superimposed severe preeclampsia, showed serum allopregnanolone levels significantly higher than those of healthy women at the same gestational age (P < 0.01). In conclusion, maternal serum allopregnanolone levels increased during normal gestation were lower in women who underwent emergency cesarean and higher in patients with chronic hypertension, with or without preeclampsia. Because allopregnanolone is active on the central nervous system and in the control of systemic blood pressure, an involvement of this neurosteroid in the

adaptive processes induced by pregnancy is suggested.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:398255 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:115018

TITLE: Comparison of the neurophysiological effects of

allopregnanolone and ethanol in rats

AUTHOR(S): Slawecki, C. J.; Walpole, T.; Purdy, R. H.; Ehlers, C.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Neuropharmacology, The Scripps Research

Institute, La Jolla, CA, 92037, USA

SOURCE: Psychopharmacology (Berlin) (2000), 149(4),

351-359

CODEN: PSCHDL; ISSN: 0033-3158

PUBLISHER: Springer-Verlag

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English AB

Rationale: The central nervous system actions of allopregnanolone $(3\alpha-hydroxy-5\alpha-pregnan-$ 20-one) and ethanol are at least partially mediated by modulation of $\gamma\text{-aminobutyric}$ acid (GABA)-A receptors. Although ethanol and allopregnanolone have similar behavioral effects, their macro-electrophysiol. profiles have not been directly compared. Objective: The purpose of this study was to compare the effects of allopregnanolone and ethanol on the EEG (EEG) and event-related potentials (ERPs). Methods: Male Wistar rats were implanted with cortical and amygdalar electrodes. The rats were then administered allopregnanolone (0.0-10 mg/kg), ethanol (0.0-1.0 g/kg), or a combination of the two before recording. Results: Allopregnanolone and ethanol had similar effects on ERPs. When administered alone, both decreased cortical P1-N1 ERP amplitude by 25-50% and N1 amplitude in the amygdala by 75-80%. Combined administration of ethanol (0.50 g/kg) and allopregnanolone (5.0 mg/kg), doses which were ineffective alone, decreased N1 amplitude in the amygdala by 60%. Allopregnanolone and ethanol had dissimilar EEG effects. Allopregnanolone increased high frequency power in the cortex and amygdala by 25-30%. Ethanol decreased cortical and amygdalar power in the same high frequency bands by 25-45%. Allopregnanolone, but not ethanol, also shifted cortical frequency in the 32- to 50-Hz band. Combined administration of allopregnanolone and ethanol had no effect on EEG power but enhanced allopregnanolone's effect on cortical frequency. Conclusions: These data suggest that

allopregnanolone's macro-electrophysiol. profile resembles barbiturates and benzodiazepines more than ethanol. Further, the interactions of allopregnanolone and ethanol appear complex, with multiple effects observed (enhancement or reversal) depending on the

neurophysiol. variable assessed.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:188346

TITLE: Characterisation of GABAA receptors in fetal, neonatal

and adult ovine brain: region and age related changes

and the effects of allopregnanolone

AUTHOR(S): Crossley, K. J.; Walker, D. W.; Beart, P. M.; Hirst,

J. J.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, Monash University, Clayton,

3168, Australia

SOURCE: Neuropharmacology (2000), 39(9), 1514-1522

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AB Progesterone metabolites acting via GABAA receptors suppress

central nervous system (CNS)

activity. The aim of the present study was to examine binding characteristics of GABAA receptors in fetal, newborn and adult sheep brains using [35S]TBPS, and to determine the effects of allopregnanolone on this binding. Receptor affinity (KD) and d. (BMAX) in the brainstem were not different in fetal, newborn (1-2 days old) and adult brains. In the hypothalamus KD and BMAX increased significantly in the fetus between 85 and 128 days gestation, and were then similar to postnatal and adult values. In the frontal cortex KD and BMAX increased progressively between $85\ \text{days}$ and term (.apprx.147 days gestation), and were then not different from postnatal and adult values. The Ki values for the GABAA receptor antagonist picrotoxin was similar at all ages. Allopregnanolone inhibited [35S]TBPS binding in the presence of 5 μM GABA, but enhanced binding in the absence of GABA. These results show that (i), functional GABAA receptors are present in the fetal brain from at least 85 days gestation; (ii), 3α -pregnane steroids modify receptor affinity in the late gestation fetal brain; and (iii) there are region-specific changes in GABAA receptor binding parameters. Steroid modulation of the GABAA receptor in the fetal brain is likely to influence fetal CNS activity in late gestation.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:193022 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:288956

TITLE: The neurosteroid allopregnanolone modulates

oxytocin expression in the hypothalamic

paraventricular nucleus

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SOURCE: American Journal of Physiology (2000),

278(3, Pt. 2), R684-R691

CODEN: AJPHAP; ISSN: 0002-9513

PUBLISHER: American Physiological Society

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal English LANGUAGE:

Virgin, ovariectomized rats exposed to 2 wk of sequential estradiol (E2) and progesterone (P) followed by P withdrawal have increased hypothalamic oxytocin (OT) mRNA and peptide levels relative to sham-treated animals. This increase is prevented if P is sustained. In the central nervous system, P is metabolized to the neurosteroid allopregnanolone (3α -hydroxy- 5α -pregnan-20-one), which exerts effects by acting as a pos. allosteric modulator of GABAA receptor/Cl--channel complexes. In the present study, ovariectomized rats that received sequential E2 and P for 2 wk followed by P withdrawal were administered allopregnanolone at the time of P withdrawal. Hypothalamic and plasma allopregnanolone concns., serum E2 and P concns., and hypothalamic OT mRNA levels were measured at death. Steroid-induced increases in OT mRNA were attenuated in animals treated with allopregnanolone at the time of P withdrawal. The results suggest that allopregnanolone plays an important modulatory role in steroid-mediated increases in hypothalamic OT.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:189613 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

132:303629

TITLE:

In vivo evidences of early neurosteroid synthesis in

the developing rat central nervous

system and placenta

AUTHOR(S):

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SOURCE:

Developmental Brain Research (2000), 120(1),

83-86

CODEN: DBRRDB; ISSN: 0165-3806

PUBLISHER:

Elsevier Science B.V.

DOCUMENT TYPE: LANGUAGE:

Journal English

AB The aim of the present study was to determine the developmental pattern of progesterone metabolism in rat brain and spinal cord from embryonic day 13 (E13) to the perinatal period. A marked decrease in the 5α -reduction of progesterone in brain cortex was observed between E13 and postnatal day 5 (P5). Isopregnanolone was the predominant isomer in E13 in both cortex and spinal cord and its synthesis diminished gradually, while the concentration of allopregnanolone did not change significantly during development. The placental tissue was able to synthesize the 3α and 3β isomers in E13, E16 and E19 embryos with allopregnanolone being the major metabolite in all the samples. We conclude that embryonic central nervous system tissues are able to synthesize neurosteroids at least from stage E13 and that they are

developmentally regulated.

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2000:145572 CAPLUS ACCESSION NUMBER:

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:275390

TITLE: Neuroactive steroid 3α -hydroxy- 5α -pregnan-

20-one modulates electrophysiological and behavioral

actions of ethanol

AUTHOR(S): VanDoren, Margaret J.; Matthews, Douglas B.; Janis,

Gregory C.; Grobin, A. Chistina; Devaud, Leslie L.;

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CORPORATE SOURCE: Departments of Psychiatry and Pharmacology, Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies, and Curriculum in

Neurobiology, University of North Carolina at Chapel

Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, 27599-7178, USA Journal of Neuroscience (2000), 20(5),

1982-1989

CODEN: JNRSDS; ISSN: 0270-6474

Society for Neuroscience PUBLISHER:

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal English LANGUAGE:

SOURCE:

Neuroactive steroids are synthesized de novo in brain, yet their physiol. AB significance remains elusive. We provide biochem., electrophysiol., and behavioral evidence that several specific actions of alc. (ethanol) are mediated by the neurosteroid 3α -hydroxy- 5α -pregnan-20-one allopregnanolone). Systemic alc. administration elevates 3α , 5α -THP levels in the cerebral cortex to pharmacol. relevant concns. The elevation of 3α , 5α -THP is dose- and time-dependent. Furthermore, there is

a significant correlation between $3\alpha, 5\alpha$ -THP levels in cerebral cortex and the hypnotic effect of ethanol. Blockade of de novo biosynthesis of 5α -reduced steroids using the 5α -reductase inhibitor finasteride prevents several effects of ethanol. Pretreatment with finasteride causes no changes in baseline bicuculline-induced seizure threshold but reverses the anticonvulsant effect of ethanol. Finasteride pretreatment also reverses ethanol inhibition of spontaneous neural activity in medial septal/diagonal band of Broca neurons while having no direct effect on spontaneous firing rates. Thus, elevation of 3α , 5α -THP levels by acute ethanol administration represents a

novel mechanism of ethanol action as well as an important modulatory role for neurosteroids in the CNS. REFERENCE COUNT: THERE ARE 58 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS 58

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1999:746730 CAPLUS ACCESSION NUMBER:

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

132:73803

TITLE: Sex-Dependent Behavioral Effects of the Neurosteroid

Allopregnanolone $(3\alpha, 5\alpha$ -THP) in

RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

AUTHOR(S):

Neonatal and Adult Rats after Postnatal Stress Zimmerberg, B.; Rackow, S. H.; George-Friedman, K. P. Bronfman Science Center, Department of Psychology, CORPORATE SOURCE:

Williams College, Williamstown, MA, USA

Pharmacology, Biochemistry and Behavior (1999), 64(4), 717-724 SOURCE:

CODEN: PBBHAU; ISSN: 0091-3057

PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Inc.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

The neuroactive steroid allopregnanolone (3a-hydroxy-5a-pregnan-

20-one, 3α , 5α -THP) has been shown to be involved in the

central nervous system's response to stress.

This experiment investigated whether response to the neuroactive steroid allopregnanolone, a pos. modulator of the GABAA receptor, would be

altered in neonatal or adult rats previously exposed to a chronic

stressor-daily maternal separation during the first week of life.

were then tested either as neonates or adults. In neonates,

allopregnanolone decreased the number of ultrasonic vocalizations

after brief maternal separation Previously separated subjects vocalized less

and

were less active than controls, but were not more sensitive to allopregnanolone on either measure. In adulthood, subjects with a prior history of maternal separation had a greater grooming response to a novel environment after a 10-min cold water swim test than nonsepd. subjects. Allopregnanolone reduced grooming, but, again, there was no difference due to stress history. A significant effect of gender was

noted in the adult subjects-females were largely responsible for the effects reported. These results suggest that early maternal separation stress can produce an habituation response in neonates and a long-term sensitization response to later novel stress in adults. However, because the behavioral effects of allopregnanolone were not differentially influenced by this early stress history, the neuroactive steroid/GABAA receptor complex may not be the major mediator of these early stress sequela. Results indicating that females were more responsive to allopregnanolone than males are discussed in light of previous findings.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:689631 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:73727

TITLE: Neurosteroids: pharmacology and physiological

implications in behavior

AUTHOR(S): Akwa, Yvette; Baulieu, Etienne-Emile

CORPORATE SOURCE: INSERM U488 Steroides, INSERM U488 Steroides et

Systeme Nerveux, Le Kremlin-Bicetre, 94276, Fr.

SOURCE: Journal de la Societe de Biologie (1999),

193(3), 293-298 CODEN: JDSBFG

PUBLISHER: SGS

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review

LANGUAGE: French

A review, with 27 refs. The term "neurosteroids" applies to those steroids that are both formed in the nervous system from sterol precursors, and accumulate in the nervous system, at least in part, independently of peripheral steroidogenic glands secretion. Neurosteroids, that are active on the central nervous system include, mainly, pregnenolone (PREG), dehydroepiandrosterone (DHEA) and their sulfate esters (PREG-S and DHEA-S), as well as the reduced metabolite of progesterone, 3α , 5α -TH PROG also called allopregnanolone. These neuroactive neurosteroids alter neuronal excitability by modulating the activity of several neurotransmitter receptors and thus can influence behavior. PREG-S decreases the sleeping time in rats anesthetized with a barbiturate, which is consistent with its antagonist action on the GABAA receptor (GABAA-R). Allopregnanolone is anxiolytic in rats tested in a conflict paradigm, through an interaction at a site specific for the benzodiazepine (BZ) receptor inverse agonist RO15-4513 and/or at the picrotoxinin site on GABAA-R. The contribution of the amygdala, a key region involved in the control of anxiety, is also demonstrated for the anxiolytic action of allopregnanolone. An anti-aggressive effect of DHEA can be observed in castrated male mice who become aggressive in the presence of lactating females. This inhibition of aggressiveness by DHEA is associated to a selective decrease in the brain of PREG-S, which may, in turn, trigger an increase of endogenous GABAergic tone. Finally, cognitive performances of aged rats tested in the Morris water maze and the Y-maze can be correlated with individual concns. of PREG-S in the hippocampus, i.e poor performance in both tasks with low levels of PREG-S. Remarkably, the memory deficits are significantly improved, albeit transiently, by an intra-hippocampal injection of PREG-S in impaired aged Promnesiant PREG-S may then reinforce some neurotransmitter systems that can decline with age. This brief review provides evidence of the pharmacol. and physiol. correlates of neurosteroids involved in behavioral phenomena. However, neurobiol. mechanisms of behavioral effects of neurosteroids await further investigation.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:524165 BIOSIS DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000524165

TITLE: Allopregnanolone levels in children with pubertal

disturbances.

AUTHOR(S): Iughetti, L. [Reprint author]; Malagoli, C. [Reprint

author]; Predieri, B. [Reprint author]; Luisi, M.; Forese,

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Sciences, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Modena,

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SOURCE: Journal of Endocrinological Investigation, (2000)

Vol. 23, No. 6 Suppl., pp. 52. print.

Meeting Info.: 23rd Meeting of Endocrinology. Pisa, Italy.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:442872 BIOSIS DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000442872

TITLE: Allopregnanolone levels in children with

precocious puberty.

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SOURCE: Hormone Research (Basel), (July, 2000) Vol. 53,

No. Suppl 2, pp. 93. print.

Meeting Info.: 39th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Pediatric Endocrinology. Brussels, Belgium. September

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CODEN: HRMRA3. ISSN: 0301-0163.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:394063 BIOSIS DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200000394063

TITLE: Neurosteroids and reproductive events: A new aspect of

body-mind interplay for the steroids and the

central nervous system.

AUTHOR(S):

Genazzani, A. R. [Reprint author]; Bernardi, F. [Reprint author]; Stomati, M. [Reprint author]; Luisi, S. [Reprint author]; Monteleone, P. [Reprint author]; Tonetti, A.

[Reprint author]; Casarosa, E. [Reprint author]; Luisi, M. CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Reproductive Medicine and Child Development,

Section of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Pisa,

Pisa, Italy

SOURCE: Neuropsychopharmacology, (August, 2000) Vol. 23,

No. S2, pp. S40. print.

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15-19, 2000.

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TITLE:

Central and peripheral progesterone metabolites.

AUTHOR(S):

Backstrom, T. [Reprint author]; Bixo, M. [Reprint author]; Birzniece, V. [Reprint author]; Johansson, I.-M. [Reprint author]; Olsson, T. [Reprint author]; Purdy, R. [Reprint author]; Sundstrom-Poromaa, I. [Reprint author]; Wahlstrom,

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ACCESSION NUMBER:

1999:46116 BIOSIS.

DOCUMENT NUMBER:

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TITLE:

Subunit dependent modulation of GABAA receptor function by

neuroactive steroids.

AUTHOR(S):

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English

SOURCE:

Society for Neuroscience Abstracts, (1998) Vol. 24, No. 1-2, pp. 344. print.

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TITLE:

PREV199598484385 Brain allopregnanolone (AP) concentrations and GABA-A receptor function in stressed rats.

AUTHOR(S): Barbaccia, M. L. [Reprint author]; Roscetti, G. [Reprint

author]; Trabucchi, M. [Reprint author]; Concas, A.; Dazzi,

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CORPORATE SOURCE:

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21, No. 1-3, pp. 1345.

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1995.

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